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REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a reply in response to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated October 11, 2005. The period set to reply to the Notice of Missing Requirements expired on December 11, 2005. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and enclose the requisite fee under 37 CFR 1.492(e) in the form of a check. Accordingly, the period set to reply to the Notice of Missing Requirements now expires on February 11, 2006, and therefore this reply is timely filed.

Enclosed herewith are the following:

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on the date shown below with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to: 'Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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1. Copy of Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office;

- 2. A declaration and power of attorney for the above-identified application duly executed by the inventors;
- 3. A check in the total amount of \$580.00 covering:
 - i) \$130.00 for the surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date; and
 - ii) The \$450 fee for a two-month extension of time.

If there are any questions or comments relating to this request, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

If any additional fees are due, or an overpayment has been made, please charge, or credit, our Deposit Account No. 11-0171 for such sum.

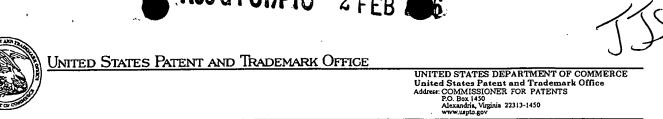
Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/19/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/19/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/19/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/19/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/19/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 05/19/2005
- Power of Attorney filed on 05/19/2005

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

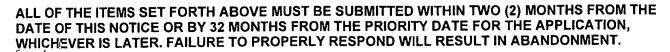
The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.



The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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